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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application No.: 09/982,214	§	Examiner:	Elisca, Pierre E.
Filed: October 17, 2001	§	Group/Art Unit:	3621
Inventors:	§	Atty. Dkt. No:	5681-90700
Sridatta Viswanath, et al.	§		
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Title: Document Exchange	§		
Framework for Automated	§		
Extensible Markup	§		
Language Data in an E-	§		
Procurement System and	§		
Method	§		
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 30, 2008**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of December 30, 2008, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.